REMARKS

This amendment responds to the office action mailed March 8, 2005. In the office action the Examiner objected to claim 33 due to formalities.

After entry of this amendment, the pending claims are: claims 1, 3-14, 16-19, 21-35. The total number of pending claims, 32, remains unchanged.

Overview of Changes to Claims

Dependent claim 31 has been amended by deleting "integrated circuit" and replacing it with "slave".

Independent claim 33 has been amended by deleting "slave" in line 6 as suggested by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider this application with a view towards allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at 650-843-7501, if a telephone call could help resolve any remaining items.

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